JEFFERSON COUNTY LAND & WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

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THIS LETTER IS IMPORTANT. READ AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

TO: Farmland Preservation Program Participants:

Please note we do not have a copy of your 2013 Nutrient Management Checklist on file. You must enclose a copy with your annual certification, or it will be returned to you.

Enclosed is your Annual Certification Form, in order to take the Wisconsin Farmland Preservation Tax Credit (FPP) for the 2012 tax year, you must fill out the form and return it along with the \$25 Certification fee to the Jefferson County Land and Water Conservation Department (LWCD) by April 15, 2013. Submitting this form to our office later than April 15, 2013 will result in a late charge. See chart below.

Annual Certification received after:	Total Certification Fee Due:
April 15 th 2013	\$45
May 15 th 2013	\$55
June 15 th 2013	\$65
July 15 th to October 31 st , 2013	\$75
After October 31 st , 2013	Notice of Non-Compliance Issued

A-1 farmland in Jefferson County is covered by Exclusive Ag Zoning. You must use Wisconsin State Income Tax form **SCHEDULE FC-A** to claim your tax credit (\$7.50/Acre) on your Jefferson County land.

As of January, 2010, eligibility for the Farmland Preservation Tax Credit changed. In addition to having and following an LWCD approved conservation plan, the following conservation standards must be met:

- You must have a Nutrient Management Plan. THIS APPLIES TO ALL CROPLAND; BOTH CASH GRAIN AND LIVESTOCK FARMS.
- All State Conservation Standards concerning livestock and animal waste need to be met (if applicable) by December 31, 2014. These requirements are listed in detail on the annual Certification form.

If you have questions regarding Working Lands Initiative/Farmland Preservation Program please call 920-674-7110.